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April 14, 2023

**CERTIFIED MAIL**

Mr. Bobby VerBrugge  
Alterra Energy, LLC  
1200 E. Waterloo Road  
Akron, OH 44306

**Re: Alterra Energy, LLC  
Compliance Review  
Air Permit  
Summit County  
1677011258**

**Subject: Request for Discretionary Approval for a Temporary Production Level Increase  
for Emissions Unit P001**

Dear Bobby VerBrugge:

On April 5, 2023, Akron Regional Air Quality Management District (ARAQMD) received Alterra Energy, LLC's (Alterra's) request to temporarily operate emissions unit P001, "waste-to-fuel" process line 1, at a higher production level of up to 5,000 pounds per hour. Previous emission testing was conducted on May 16-17, 2022 at a reduced production rate and resulted in ARAQMD sending a letter dated August 2, 2022 restricting the hourly production level (average daily) to 115% or less of the average hourly production level achieved during the performance testing until another stack test is conducted at a higher production level.

In your letter, you requested to operate at a production level of up to 5,000 pounds per hour for from April 17, 2023 to May 17, 2023 which would equate to processing a maximum of 3,600,000 pounds of hard-to-recycle plastics.

DAPC Central Office and ARAQMD have reviewed your request and determined that it is sufficiently justified. Therefore, Ohio EPA will exercise enforcement discretion and not pursue enforcement of this manner. Please be advised that this exercise of enforcement discretion only applies to Ohio EPA's authority and is only offered if Alterra complies with the conditions, restrictions and time frames regarding this temporary production increase, as contained in your April 5, 2023 letter.

Please notify ARAQMD when beginning and ending the temporary production increase and provide actual production level records for each day following completion of this event.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Josh Koch, DAPC Central Office at (614) 644-8665 or [Joshua.Koch@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:Joshua.Koch@epa.ohio.gov) or Laura Miracle, ARAQMD, at (330) 812-3953 or [lmiracle@schd.org](mailto:lmiracle@schd.org).

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Sincerely,



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ec: Josh Koch, DAPC-CO  
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